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Local Iowa groups can receive financial assistance to launch clean water campaigns

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DES MOINES — Beginning March 28, Iowa groups looking for help implementing innovative, regional and locally led Clean Water Awareness and Education Campaigns can apply for funding from the Iowa DNR Watershed Improvement Section.

Through a grant program, the DNR looks for proposals that clearly demonstrate an ability to put in place innovative, targeted, impactful and sustainable Clean Water Awareness and Education Campaigns.

The DNR seeks to award grants to eligible local entities to develop and implement locally led Clean Water Awareness and Education programs. Educational campaigns will improve public knowledge of and promote actions to reduce nonpoint source pollution and improve water quality. The DNR seeks projects that will use innovative methods for reaching diverse audiences and stakeholder groups.

Campaigns must be achievable in the grant's 18-month timeframe and within the funding amount requested.

Applications are due by close of business May 31. Successful applicants will be awarded contracts beginning no later than Oct. 15, 2019, and ending no later than Apr. 30, 2021 (18 months).

These grants were developed after the DNR contracted with the University of Northern Iowa to survey Iowa's residents in 2015 to measure their knowledge of water quality and identify potential behavior changes. This is the next step in the Nonpoint Source Management Plan. (For more details, see Objective 2.5 of Goal 2 of Iowa's [Nonpoint Source Management Plan](#) and the [results of the survey](#)). The survey will be repeated

when grant-based educational campaigns are completed to track progress. The first round of Education Campaign contracts were awarded in Dec. 2018 and projects are ongoing.

For more information and grant application materials, visit iowadnr.gov/watershed. Contact Steve Konrady, DNR, at 515-725-8388 or Steven.Konrady@dnr.iowa.gov with your questions.

Air Quality permits under review

MEDIA CONTACT: Lori Hanson, DNR, at 515-725-9525 or Lori.Hanson@dnr.iowa.gov for Title V permits; or Sarah Piziali, DNR, at 515-725-9549 or Sarah.Piziali@dnr.iowa.gov for construction permits.

DES MOINES – The DNR Air Quality Bureau has the following draft permits up for review. The permits help protect Iowans' health and the air where we live. DNR's permitting staff review the applications to ensure facilities comply with state and federal air quality standards. The public has the right and is encouraged to comment on draft permits. DNR considers [public comments](#) before finalizing the permits. Submit comments in writing to the assigned permit writer before 4:30 p.m. on the last day of the public comment period.

Title V Operating Permits

Title V Operating permits are reviewed and re-issued every five years. Facilities with a Title V permit have the potential to emit large amounts of air pollutants compared to other facilities. The five-year reviews are a federal requirement and ensure adequate monitoring is included in the permit. The DNR plans to issue Title V Operating Permits for the following facilities. Find permit details at www.iowadnr.gov/titlev-draft.

Cerro Gordo County

CURRIES Division of AADG, Inc. – 12th St NW Facility, Mason City.
The application was submitted to operate their existing Metal Doors, Sash, Frames, Molding, and Trim Manufacturing facility. The public comment period ends April 27.

Construction Permits

DNR engineers review and issue construction permits to facilities before they build new or modified sources of air pollution. The public may review the following air quality construction permits available online at www.iowadnr.gov/airpermitsearch.

Lee County

Iowa Fertilizer Company, Wever.
Project No. 19-067, Addition of a water/vapor separator.
The public comment period ends April 29.

DNR enforcement actions

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DES MOINES – DNR staff work with individuals, businesses and communities to help them protect our natural resources by complying with state and federal laws. This approach is very effective. In the few cases where compliance cannot be achieved, the DNR issues enforcement actions. The following list summarizes recent enforcement actions. Find the entire, original orders on DNR's website at www.iowadnr.gov/EnforcementActions.

Consent Orders A consent order is issued as an alternative to issuing an administrative order. A consent order indicates that the DNR has voluntarily entered into a legally enforceable agreement with the other party.

Buena Vista County

Mangold Environmental Testing, Inc.

Amendment to Consent Order 2018-WS-07. Expands the scope of the temporary suspension to include compliance sampling.

Butler County

TEDE Farms, L.L.C.

Operate in compliance with the rules and regulations; develop and implement a Standard Operating Procedure for monitoring a depopulated facility; and pay an administrative penalty of \$500.

Dubuque County

T&K Pumping

Operate in compliance with rules and regulations; develop and implement a Standard Operating Procedure for monitoring land application; and pay an administrative penalty of \$3,000.

Henry County

Raymond Francis

Revocation of Mr. Francis' drinking water treatment and drinking water distribution certifications; prohibited from holding any DNR certification for drinking water treatment, drinking water distribution, and wastewater treatment; and pay an administrative penalty of \$1,000.

Lyon County

Linwood Mining and Minerals Corp.

Decommission certain equipment; maintain records; and pay an administrative penalty of \$10,000.

Pottawattamie County

RJS Custom Enterprises, LLC

Operate in compliance with rules and regulations; develop and implement a Standard Operating Procedure for employee certification; and pay an administrative penalty of \$3,500.

Sioux County

Jerry Reuvers

One year probation for Mr. Reuvers' certifications and operator-by-affidavit in drinking

water treatment, drinking water distribution, and wastewater treatment; and no involvement in lead and copper sampling for one year.

Scott County

Jochum Agri-Services, Inc.

Ensure proper manure application and develop and implement Standard Operating Procedure for employee training.

Woodbury County

American Pop Corn Company

Obtain air quality construction permits prior to construction; conduct an audit at the facility; and pay an administrative penalty in the amount of \$10,000.

Wright County

DMC Property Rentals, LLC

Operate in compliance with rules and regulations; install a riser in the earthen basin; and pay an administrative penalty of \$500.

Administrative Orders

Responsible parties have 30 days to appeal the order or 60 days to pay the penalty.

Butler County

Scott Heise dba Tricounty Tree Pros

Amendment to Administrative Order 2017-AQ-27. Rescinds original administrative penalty and requires a penalty in the amount of \$500.

Decatur County

Travis Erwin

Requires compliance with open burning solid waste regulations in the future; requires proper disposal of any remaining waste at the property; and assesses an administrative penalty of \$1,600.